

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, South Carolina is blessed with an abundance of natural and man-made gifts, from beautiful beaches to historic city streets, meandering blackwater rivers, pristine lakes, and the majestic Blue Ridge Mountains; and

WHEREAS, because of those gifts and the hard work and ingenuity of countless South Carolinians, our rich tradition of warm hospitality has blossomed into a \$24 billion travel and tourism industry; and

WHEREAS, tourism fuels economic growth and prosperity in South Carolina, pumping visitor dollars into local economies, supporting one in every ten jobs, and contributing to \$1.8 billion in state and local tax collections; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Palmetto State's tourism industry is made possible through the stewardship, creativity, innovation, and outstanding service provided by our tourism professionals, including our chefs, property managers, tour guides, golf course greenskeepers, hotel housekeepers, event planners, and beyond.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Henry McMaster, Governor of the great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 1 - 7, 2022 as

TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate the Palmetto State's robust travel and tourism industry, recognize its significant impact on our economy, and honor the tourism professionals who work tirelessly to help visitors and citizens discover everything South Carolina has to offer.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Henry McMaster".

HENRY MCMASTER
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA